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### **DETENTION OF MAILS**

The heart of the question of the detention of mails by a belligerent is not whether they are going into or coming out of an enemy country. It can vessels. None of this in time of any more than in ordinary contra-

The question is whether mails are being put to uses proper, under the laws and customs of nations, or to actual facts of the contents of mail interfered with by any belligerent, whether those privileges are abused of are not abused.

Weighing advantages and disadvantages, the British government has decided that the benefits that could be gained by a straightforward blockade of Germany would not compensate for the antagonisms that would be inspired among neutrals. Instead of declaring a blockade, the government will go ahead under the policy of the orders in council, rather than attempt the complicated and dangerous business of blockading neutral countries that serve as gateways to Germany.

Whatever may be thought of the policy thus announced, and in which Parliament has acquiesced, it must be recognized as bespeaking a determination to make every concesattempt such a radical course. He United States. pointed out that, blockade or no terference a blockade.

There are some grounds to suspect the gold goes to help pay for them. The abandonment of blockade, thereconcern for those countries' sentiplease the United States.

### "GROUP PRINCIPAL" PLAN

ministrative changes made in the

ington schools in close proximity. resulted in increasing the overhead upbuilding of Latin-American transhas been a great handicap in obtain- ized; but they have . srated chiefly watch out for.

of the Cleveland commission merrily less premium in nearly every councharged up all eighth grade teachers' try on earth. In other words, with ure to the Senate.

ton schools is exactly \$36,000 a year, have the dollar. less than almost any city of its size in the country. That is no virtue, it ought to be more. But such is the

teing called upon to supervise. from the United States. It is not free during instruction from special the measure. whether they are carried in Ameri- teachers, such as drawing, domestic war is the fundamental principle instructors. This time may then be labor in Britain was still hostile to which is a dangerous thing, have yet work of other teachers.

first class mails are very distinctly an interest in this sort of innovauses improper. The privileges of tration. The community should take rather, it would plunge the country defined, and it should be a very sim- tion designed to raise the educational sary, to prevent their adoption. ple matter to determine, on the standard and the efficiency of the Now comes from the labor con- peace tranquillity, and the republic sta-

British government and the American financiers, it was ancan Government as to the detention nounced that the object was to go ed by a vote of 1,500,000 to 600,000; While Americans may small at can Government as to the detention nounced that the object was to go of mails in which we are directly or indirectly interested.

NO BLOCKADE OF GERMANY YET

American manciers, it was explained the object was to go out and buy interests in big corporate properties in other countries, especially the other Americas; because it was explained, the one sure

rope in that country.

sion to the rights and sensibilities of neutrals. Critics of the Asquith government repeatedly pointed out roads as is this country. There is during the discussion yesterday that very certain to be great railroad ex- discreditable to national patriotism the blockade could be carried on pansion there for several decades to when compared to the American pollunder the precise regulations en come. The present railway system ing of 1864. forced by the United States, and ac. of Argentina is estimated to reprequiesced in by Great Britain, dur- sent a capitalization of about ing the civil war. But despite this \$1,200,000,000, or perhaps one-fif- off that itinerary. Sir Edward Grey was unwilling to teenth that of the railroads of the

Seemingly the actual business of blockade, it must be necessary at buying into these properties has length to sift the merchandise des- been making headway, for some tined to neutral ports and pass that mysterious gold shipments from this sons who will place their interests purpose. which was unobjectionable either as country to Buenos Aires, which were to character or presumed destina- not at all understood here, are extion; therefore in the end it would plained from London. It is stated be no more effective to call the in- that Americans have been buying Argentine railroad stocks, and that

that the abandonment of the block- The possibility of American domiade proposal was actuated not by re- nance through railroad ownership is gard for the feelings of the United suggested by this development. Sup-States, but by consideration of Hol- posing that one-half the capitalizaland, Sweden, and Denmark. This tion of Argentine railways is repcountry could not possibly object to resented by bonds, there remains, in fected many noses. such a blockade, such an application order to dominate them, merely the of the "continuous voyage" and "ulti- necessity to secure control of the mate destination" doctrines as were share capital; a little more than a developed and enforced during the quarter-billion of dollars would be civil war by this nation. On the other enough to do this. Compared with hand, Sweden had bitterly protested the huge investments in our own a blockade. None of the three Scan- railways, it is apparent that this dinavian countries, nor Holland, had would be a very small investment. ever enforced such a rule, as the Or, if it be kept in mind that nearly United States had done. Its onus half the railroad mileage of the would have fallen on them more world is in the United States, it will heavily than on the United States. suggest that, with our own primary investment in this kind of property fore, may reasonably be attributed to pretty well completed, the possibility of expansion into a field that ments; not to any special desire to Americans know better than any other people, are almost unlimited.

There is no country that can compete-with our own in building railroads; particularly, in building them One of the most significant ad- for the purpose of opening up new regions and securing development. schools here for some years is that South American growth and expanoutlined by Superintendent Thurston sion would be magnificently promptbefore the Board of Education yes- ed if United States capital and manterday providing for "group princi- agerial capacity should come into ments. He then began an inquiry which pals" for several groups of Wash- control, or even influential affiliation resulted in the following notice being with the transportation service of The policy adopted years ago of that continent. Americans have inexecting small buildings here has deed had vastly more to do with the exports of copper after February 1, 1916. cost of running the schools; and it port systems than is serally realing proper supervision. Under the with European capital, which has need of current information regarding present arrangement the principal compelled them to make their propof an eight-room building has no erties tributary to Europe when buysupervision over teachers in her ing supplies. The beginnings of a building, though she is burdened United States buying campaign in tify their continuance. The extra work with much administrative work con- Argentina point to a new part for involved in their compilation at the va cerning the building and the buying this nation to play there. Good inof supplies. A parent who wishes dustrial and railroad shares in South to complain about the teaching given America are on the bargain counher child in the third grade cannot ter, because their holders, whether better adapted to comparative study." go to the principal; he must go to there or in Europe, need the gold. the supervising principal, who has The United States is the one reserfrom eight to twelve buildings to voir of gold holdings powerful enough to undertake such vast oper-How little this defect has been ations at this time. Our money sysunderstood is shown by the general tem, from being about the worst in assumption that the eighth grade the world a few years ago, is now teacher is a principal. The report so good that dollars are at more or amendment.

salaries to "supervision," thus mak- a dollar worth more than normal, we ing that item a heavy one, whereas have the opportunity to buy securities at marked-down prices. And we

### BRITAIN IN LINE AT LAST

That opposition which is merely The "group principal" plan is a opposition is always highly vocal good one from the standpoint of the when it has the privilege of free See Themselves As Belgians of teacher. The eighth grade teacher noise that appertains to democratic had gone as high as she may expect institutions. A few weeks ago the to go. There was no incentive for opposition to compulsory military her to study supervisory methods, service in Great Britain was so noisy for there was no likelihood of her that it managed to get itself taken very seriously, even in Britain. Yet Under the new plan eighth grade when the parliamentary measure made by Washington that Cuba join in teachers have a chance to enter into came to the voting test, opposition the reneral prenjaredness movement. inthe work of supervising from twenty dwindled to unimportance on the creasing the strength of her armed to thirty rooms. They still must first reading, and well-nigh to the is not whether they are bound to or teach but their time will be left vanishing point on final passage of more strongly to the illiterate than the

science, manual training, and other the insistent belief that organized men who, possessing that little learning given to keeping in touch with the conscription or any other extreme found no place in the civil service. The This is only one of the many ex- the position of the empire. Or- leading officials, civil and military periments tried in the schools re- ganized labor, it was insisted, would cently to make for better adminis- never assent to such measures;

ference at Bristol the announcement that two votes were taken by the debt of gratitude we owe to the United delegates representing 2 000 000 States, the great and generous nation No serious issue, therefore, is When, some time ago, a great in- dorsing the attitudes of the govern- another nation, that generous

cause, it was explained, the one sure Britain has squared away and will way to break into the markets was hereafter be entitled to recognition rails, cars, locomotives, equipment; of internal bickering has been reto lend them their money, get the benefit of land grants that will in cans, of all people, ought to be delicious thrill that Cubans say—and they say it often—that in case of war ually, by imposing regulations on allen benefit of land grants that will in cans, of all people, ought to be future as in the past be given to encourage more construction. It means these troubles of a democracy. In attack. Shudderingly they have the cans, of all people, ought to be delicious thrill that Cubans say—and those of the La Foliette law, and grant they say it often—that in case of war between the United States and the Germans Cuba will be in the line of first attack. Shudderingly they have the American standard in regard to to establish close affiliation with in-dustries served by these railways; in short, it means to substitute United the civil war epoch the North had glorious prospect of Cuba's becoming the "Belgium of America."

As a first result of Vashington's rec-even so late as 1864 the slogan of ommendation President Menocal has States capital and domination for the campaign against Lincoln's rethe capital and domination of Eu- election was "the war is a failure." That was long after Vicksburg and Argentina has about one-third the Gettysburg had marked the turning area of continental United States, point of the struggle. Yet in the but only about 20,000 miles of rail- election of 1864 McClellan, on that road. That is, it is about one- platform, polled 1,808,000 votes learning takes a Cuoan from the labour

Despite the invention of tabloid cocktails, the fashion edicters haven't done away with the hip pocket.

Now for a bumper crop of perin the hands of their friends.

A lot of good alibis are due to fall into innocuous desuctude if this street car tie-up thing is ever ad-

At that there are gons of persons, standing up for the car companies, who would be glad to have seats.

Lack of dyestuffs hasn't yet af-

Another thing to be grateful for and settle this weather question.

If that Michigan man really has perfected an apparatus to use booze in the gas tank, a great deal of tinkering with the carburetor can safely

### Bureau of Commerce Stops Weekly Reports

Showing copper imports of \$88,495 and exports worth \$5,663,866 for the week ended January 15, today's weekly statement was announced to be the last that the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic

Commerce will issue. Several weeks ago the Chamber of Commerce of the United States onestioned the accuracy of the weekly statements and the methods employed in pre. Maccabees-Georgetown Review, paring them. Secretary Redfield was informed that the aggregate figures of four weekly statements did not tally with the statistics in the monthly stateappended to today's copper statement:

"It has been decided to discontinue these weekly statements of imports and The statements were instituted soon fter the outbreak of the European war when, owing to the abnormal conditions prevailing, the business public was in the general trade movement. Since the trade situation has become comparatively settled these statements are no longer of sufficient importance to jusrious custom houses can, with advantage, be diverted to the regular monthly reports which are much fuller and more accurate and cover a period

committee of the Sheppard prohibition

America, and Merely Await the Word.

HAVANA, Jan. 27.-The suggestion where the life of a soldier appeals far hard labor of the cane fields or the But even at that, there was still city streets, while an officer's commission seems very attractive to the young measures calculated to strengthen press is giving the proposition much favorable attention, as are many of the In an interview Major Gustavo Rod-

iguez, of the general staff, says: bring peace and tranquillity to all or maintaining them will be negligible compared to the priceless benefits of

BUYING FOREIGN RAILWAYS

delegates representing 2,000,000 that not only gave us our liberty but that not only gave us our liberty but continues to guard it for us. How shall we reply if, finding itself at war with liable to come out of the diplomatic ternational investment corporation ment and of the Labor members of negotiations now on between the was organized by powerful groups of Parliament who stood by the gov-

bles brought the canard that the Jap-anese had landed on Toriuga Island, Mexico. The story reached nere in

Shudderingly they hug the the American standard in regs prospect of Cuba's becoming service conditions among seamen.

requirement for enlistment in order that the army shall without delay be re-

Although the optimistic official statiscs show that commission; and moreover, the highest average of physical fitness is to be found in the agricultural districts where measure in Congress. They argue in

rabla opposition organ, owned and Safety First—keeping Nebraska directed by Orestes Ferrera, speaker of the House, that Secretary of Government Hevla has drawn up elaborate business. may help Cuba bear the unancial burden.

# IN CAPITAL TODAY

Lecture. 'The Sources of the Teaching of the Sermon on the Mount.' Prof. I. J. Peritz, Hall of the College of History, American Inversity, 240 p. m. Meeting, Credit Men's Section of the Retail -groundhog day will soon be here, French flotilla benefit, New National, 4:30 p. CALVE IS MAGNET Mid-year commentement of District high is, Makinley Manual Training School, p m. ustrated lecture on original boundary or milestones of the District, Fred E. Wood-ward, lecture hall, Smithsonian Institute, m. unial dinner to Samuel Gomners, by Central Labor Union, Elks' Hall, S. t. m., nner, Washington Traffic Club, Raleigh, Dinner, to National Association of Real Es-Dinner, to National Association of Beal Estate Exchanges, by Real Estate Brokers Association, New Williard, 7p. m.
Reception and dance, students of Sieward's Business College, Carroll Institute Hall, Sp. m.
Entertainment and card party, benefit of the Catholic Home Hureau for Dependent Children, Carroll Hall, Sp. m.
Messing, art section, Twentieth Century (Jub. 159 Columbia road northwest, 7 p. in. Masonic—New Jerusalem, No. 9; George U. Whiting, No. 22; Temple-Noves, No. 22; Nayal, No. 4, Royal Arch, La Fayette, No. 5, Kallipolis Grotio.

Whiting, No. 4. Royal Arch, 122.

S. Kallipolis Groito.

Eastern Star - William F. Hunt, No. 16.

Cold Fellows - Covenant, No. 12, and Salem, No. 22; Excelsior, No. 17, and Columbia, No. 22; Excelsior, No. 21.

Odd Fellows-Covenant, No. 12, and Co. No. 22, Excelsior, No. 17, and Co. No. 16.
Knights of Pythias-Harmony, No. 21.
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Maccabees—Georgelown Review, No. 10, dance, Knights of Columbus—Benefit Performance Dramatic Club, Keane Council, Dance of Inter-Council Dancing Association. Socialist party—Y. P. S. I. meeting. Meeting, Thomas Jefferson Council, No. 12, Junior Order United American Mechanics, New Masonic Temple, 7:30 p. in., Eighth and F streets northeast.

Lecture, "From the Potomac to the Pacific," by Kalph H. Hamilton, Holy Cross Academy, 8 p. m. emy, 8 p. m. Address, "Paul and Silas in Prison and the

Amusements. New National-"it Pays to Advertise," \$:15 Belasco-"The Greatest Nation," 8:20 p. m. Poli's-"The Law of the Land," 2:15 and 8:15

Conversion of the Jailer. Rev. L. I. Bauers, Fifteenth Street Christian Church.

Seith's-Vaudeville, 2:15 and \$:15 p. m. Casino—'East Lynne,' 8:15 p. m. Gayety—Burlesque, 2:16 and 8:16 p. m. Loew's Columbia—Photoplays, 10:39 a. m.

### Tomorrow.

Mesting, National Democratic Women of America, Ebbitt Hotel, 8 p. m. Dance, under auspices young neople, All Souls' Church, 1742 Church street northwest, Entertainment and dance, parish hall, Grace Episcopal Church, Georgetown, 8 p. m. Installation of officers, George Dewey Camp. No. 7 V. S. W. V., northeast Masonic Temple, 8 p. m. "Dry" Measure Reported
Favorably to Committee

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The subcommittee on prohibition of the Senate Judiclary Committee on prohibition of the Senate Judiclary dered a favorable report to the main Knights of Pythias-Syracusians, No. 16 committee of the Sheppard prohibition amendment. The action taken was unanimous. It is expected the Judiciary Committee will soon report the measure to the Senate.

Rathbone Superior, No. 29.
Politian States Rathbone Temple, No. 5.
National Union East Washington Council, Damilers of America Golden Rule Council, No. 18.
U. S. W. V.—Gen. Emmett Urell Auxiliary.

# Fight for Merchant TO ARMS IF U. S. BID Marine-Will Prevent Seamen's Act Repeal Heads of District Government

Longer Test of Provisions of La Follette Measure Assured-Administration Support, Labor's Determination, and Post Bellum Maritime Competition Factors of Control.

, By JUDSON C. WELLIVER.

It may be set down as practically certain that the La Follette seamen's bill is not going to be repealed nor essentially modified by the present session of Congress.

This is the consensus of view among both the advocates and the opponents of the measure.

Even legislators who for a long time opposed the bill and at the time of its passage were doubtful of its advisability, are in some cases now insisting that it shall get a longer test than has been possible, and under something like normal conditions.

### ADMINISTRATION SUPPORT.

Proponents of the measure have never, their maritime interest in the last two shown their hand very fully; but they have permitted it to be known that a of its wealth and its big potential imgeneral assault on the legislation would open a fight which would kill weeks of time, and probably end in failure. If the Administration ever had seri ous thought to weakening and reversing its attitude on this measure, it has latterly determined to stand pat.

encies of the situation, there are some This other reasons why the Administration believes it can afford to support the legislation. It is believed that under way to break into the markets was to control the great buying factors in those countries.

To own the railways, say of Argentina, means to sell them their rails, cars, locomotives, equipment; of internal bickering has been re-

### Labor Fights Change.

At any rate, that experiment is going to be urged upon Congress. The labor organizations have made it very clear cruited to the authorized strength of that they will be bitterly hostile, in the forthcoming campaign, toward whoever attempts to surrender the ground they ties show that but 30 per cent of the state of the seamen's law. Politi30 per cent soldiers must be chiefly reclass of neither party have much fancy cruited. The smallest smattering of cruited. The smallest smattering of for meeting such a charge during the

While there may be no truth in the story published by El Heraldo de Cuba.

There may be some losses, for a time, in creating a bigger merchant marine. in creating a bigger merchant marine. Ships, whether old or new, are commanding fancy prices. Ships must find ment Hevia has drawn up elaborate plans for fortifications and heavy guns to protect Cuba's coasts, it is a fact that some congressmen are necessarily and the business of developing trade there in

## Period of Competition.

It is impossible at this time to judge will be a period of bitter competition rine in the world.

as soon as the balance is restored to The proposal of a great merchant fleet of oil-burning vessels carries with something like normal, after the war, it also the idea of taking full advan-The German ships will be back in business, and vessels of other countries that have been withdrawn for war use will also become competitors once more for general trade. If the United States scriously attempts to make a big fight for a wear piece in the maritime ship. for a real place in the maritime snip-ping world, it will find itself facing a determined opposition. Germany and Britain will make greater efforts than Britain will make greater efforts than the Scandinavian countries and for a real place in the maritime ship-ping world, it will find itself facing ity of the best coal. Yet coal is now al-

FOR CAPITAL SOCIETY

Today For Benefit of French

Washington society is expected to be

city assisting in the arrangements.

SECRETARY WILSON

URGED FOR SENATE

President Said to Be Anxious to

Have Him In Race Against

Knox In Pennsylvania.

could defeat former Senator Knox. =

Flotilla Fund.

portance, once it actually becomes strong at sea, will be the obvious enemy

So the fight to establish a permanently important place for the rehabilitated American marine will very likely to be a long and bitter one Rates will be cut and losses made in-

evitable. "Suppose," said one Democratic leader, "that a \$50,000,000 private cor poration should take a charter and go into shipping. It would look like pretty big and solvent affair, equip ped for a real fight. But as a matte of fact it would be a pygmy besid the half-billion and even billion-dol lar shipping combinations that oper ate under some other flags and wit which it would have to compete. They could crush it without even feeling the loss; and they would, rather than see America restored to a place of real importance on the seas. "There would be none of that sort of

cutthroat competition if foreign shipcutthroat competition of the out set that they were fighting the United States Government. They would that no matter how rich and ful they were, it could meet powerful them and beat them at every move in tige that Governm enjoy, would be the assurance of a

### Build Best Flect.

One more recent Administration argument is being pressed with all insist-Secretary McAdoo's measure asks \$50,000,000 with which to buy or There was a time when build ships. the Treasury had in mind that it could United States Steel Corporation, de-buy ships "plenty good enough." That clared foreign investment of American yiew is not being pressed so strongly, capital would be a prime necessity to Instead, it is now contemplated that first-class ships, the last word in mer-cantile construction, shall be built in American yards for the Government to project Cuba's coasts, it is a fact that some congressmen are preparing bills which provide for coast defense, both with land batteries and submarines, and there is a general feeling that the limits promotion expense, as it meet this promotion expense, as it much be a submarined as the called, as the Government.

Third States not only will authorize the making of a new loan for such a purpose, but may below the proper had been sent to Latin-America had been sent to Latin-America had been sent to Latin-America in the form world; to throw away all the coal-burning designs, and turn out a fleet the interest derived from British formed. No power is so well able to meet this promotion expense, as it much be a submarined been sent to Latin-America had been sent to Latin-America had been sent to Latin-America in the form of oil-burning vessels, with greater speed, carrying capacity, and desirability as naval auxiliaries in case of need. He is assured that if the business of developing trade there fight is to build the best fleet in the world; to throw away all the coal-burning designs, and turn out a fleet of oil-burning vessels, with greater speed, carrying capacity, and desirability as naval auxiliaries in case of need. He is assured that if the business of developing trade there fight is to build the best fleet in the world; to throw away all the coal-burning designs, and turn out a fleet of oil-burning vessels, with greater speed, carrying capacity, and desirability as naval auxiliaries in case of need. He is assured that if the business of developing trade there fight is to build the best fleet in the fight is to build the best fleet in the world; to throw away all the coal-burning designs, and turn out a fleet of oil-burning vessels, with greater speed, carrying capacity, and desirability as naval auxiliaries in case of need. He is assured that it is to build the best fleet in the fight is to build the best fleet in the fight is to build the best fleet in the fight is to build the best fleet in the fight is t conditions in shipping after the war.

But all the authorities believe that there fully compete with any merchant mascates, on the conditions laid down by

ever; the Scandinavian countries and ca's supremacy in oil is even more Japan, which have mightily advanced marked than Britain's ever was in coal.

WANTS CITIZENS TO

PICK SCHOOL BOARD

Congress to Let Civic Bodies

Nominate Members.

or in large numbers this afternam to tion by the Commissioners from a list

attend the French flotilla benefit at 4:30 submitted by the citizens' associations

o'clock at the National Theater, at and other civic bodies with a mem-

which Mme. Calve and other famous artists will be heard. The proceeds are to be devoted to the relief work carried on in France through the "surgical automobiles." operating in groups with a method by the Rhode Island Suburban Citizens' Association.

A resolution providing for this was adopted at a meeting last night at the Sherwood Presbyterian Church and will be forwarded to the members

automobiles." operating in groups known as "flotillas." Mrs. William Cor- of the District committees of Con-

The choosing of a Board of Educa

# the work of the Mid-City Association as an inspiration to other organizations and to the officials of the District government. He also spoke at some length on the safety first movement and the necessity of all good citizens giving beed to its precepts. Fresident Colladay, of the Federation of Citizens' Associations, made an extended plea for the support of the central body by the Mid-city Association. Losses Inevitable. Corporation Counsel Conrad A discourse on war by an alleged pro-fessor from Heidelberg, a number of interesting musical numbers and other entertainment features were included in

DEFENSE FOR TRADE

MID-CITY CITIZENS

OBSERVE BIRTHDAY

and Civic Organizations

Congratulate Members.

The heads of the District govern-

ment and presidents of civic organiza-

tions attended the buffet luncheon to

celebrate the fifth anniversary of the Mid-City Citizens' Association last Mid-City Citizens' Association last evening at the St. James Hotel. Busi-ness was taboe and the members devoted themselves entirely to enjoy-

ing themselves.

President Andrew J. Driscoll presided and introduced the speakers. Commissioner Louis F. Brownlow, who made the principal address, after congratulating the association on its contribu-

the principal address, after congratu-lating the association on its contribu-tion to the general improvement of the District and its enterprise, spoke on the matter of the Commissioners' school plans. He expressed regret that there should have been a minunder-standing of the idea the Commission-ers had in mind when they proposed the change in the system of adminis-tration and announced that while the heads of the District government had not yet received the support they felt their plans deserved, they intended to continue their work for the general public good despite criticism.

Jubile good despite criticism.

Major Raymond Pullman spoke of the work of the Mid-City Association as

URGED BY FARRELL President of U. S. Steel Corporation Points Out Need of

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 27.-World trade and finance problems which will confront the United States after the close of the European war were discussed today at the opening session of the third National Foreign Trade Con-

Foreign Investment.

vention. James A. Farrell, president of the capital would be a prime necessity to neet the keener competition expected in

world trade after the war. Mr. Farrell pointed out that an inffeet. Secretary McAdoo has been much impressed with the argument that the British capital in Latin-America had He is assured that, if this is done, ves-sels of this class can be operated, with American crews, under American wage coates on the conditions laid down by kets throughout the world. He said British manufactures now are being exported at the rate of \$150,000,000 a month.

### Commercial Preparedness. In conclusion, Mr. Farcell said:

"Foreign investment is a commercial prepareduess measure, a source of protection for the whole industrial fabric of our country, should the world recede to political-commercial policies of trade restrictions. It is an element of strength in our influence as a nation should a wiser instinct realize that should a wiser instinct realize that the true guarantee of the world's peace is the provision of equal opportunity tor all."

Alba B. Johnson, president of the Baldwin Locomotive Works in Philadelphia, predicted a period of "feverish activity in this country during the continuance of the war, and upon its close a prostration of the industry and company and countries." He can commerce of all countries." He em-phasized the necessity for a truly na-tional foreign trade policy which would prepare the United States for the keener competition expected to prevail in world markets. He crilled attention to the possibility of economic alliances among those countries which had united their fortunes for war, and upon the possible adverse effect of the possible adverse effect of policies upon the trade of the Famous Artist Will Appear Rhode Island Association Urges United States.

Sees Good In Trade Body. Mr. Johnson said the Federal Trade Commission doubtless would prove of creat benefit to American manufacturers and exporters. He urged the creation of a permanent tariff com-mission to enable the United States to adapt itself to the enanged con-

Edward J. Berwind, president of the erwind White Coal Company, discus-Berwind White Coal Company, discus-ing investments in Latin-America said The change in the imancial relations of the United States with the Europeau nations that has taken place within the last year would be conducive to toreign investments. American capital now has the opportunity as never before to assume the relation to

known as "flotillas." Mrs. William Corcoran Eustis is chairman of the committee, and is being assisted by many well known women.

Besides Mme. Calve, who will sing "The Marseillaise." Miss Loraine Wyman, a publi of Yvette Guilbert; Galileo Gasparri, and Carlos Salzedo will be heard. With Mme. Calve, in singing "Carmen." will be heard a chorus of seventy-five young society women of this city.

Walter Van Rensselaer Berry, who re-America that has been held heretolere by the European nations. "There is probably more capital avail-able for foreign investment at the present time in the United States than ever before and there is ample opportunity for the use of money in Latin-America. If the investor and the apportunity con for our commerce that will be difficult

Foreign Concessions. Perhaps the most alloring investment,

and at the same time the most dangerous, is the exploitation of foreign concessions of many varieties with which unscrupulous premoters appeal to the empidity of unwise or enwary investors. While in the argregate the amount of money thus placed at risk is not very large, the effect upon the unfortunate investors, and indirectly upon more cautious capital, is to create distrust of legitimate and worthy investments in the countries to the south of us.

"The eminently practical form of investment in freign capitals is to re-

## Rev. Bauer to Speak.

The Rev. L. L. Bauer is to deliver an address tonight in the Fifteenth Street Christian Church. His theme will be 'Paul and Silas In Prison, and the Conversion of the Jalier."

# Walter Van Rensselaer Berry, who re-cently returned from the war zone, nection with the school where he saw the flotillas in action, will tion as the present board. Miss Gertrude Robinson Smith, who arranged the concert in New York, which was a marked success, is in this TOPIC OF LECTURE

Fred E. Woodward Will Tell D. A. R. Original Boundary Lines.

The milesiones of the District will be the subject of an illustrated lecture this evening by Fred E. Woodward at the National Museum. The lecture will be under the suspices of the Daughters be under the suspices of the Daughters that is the countries in foreign countries is the establishment of branch factories or distribution depots to care directly for the trade of the tributary territory." Secretary of Labor Wilson may be of the American Revolution.

irged by the President to run for Senrecommend the preservation of these stones. In addition to the lecture there tor in Pennsylvania to succeed Senator This is suggested by A. Mitchell will be short addresses by Mrs. George Palmer, who has come to Washington T. Smallwood, vice president general from his State. The Administration belabor record he superintendent of public buildings and